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MRS. GERTRUDE PATTERSON.

Over in Colorado, Gertrude Gibson Patterson is being tried for the murder of her husband. The woman claims that when 16 years old she was brought under the influence of Emil Strouss, a Chicago millionaire; that later she became his mistress; that still later, Strouss tiring of her, she was married to Chas. A. Patterson, a Chicago broker, who received \$1500 from the millionaire for relieving him of the burden. Patterson was attacked with tuberculosis and was within a few weeks of the grave when he threatened a suit against Strouss for the alienation of the affections of his wife. The woman, outraged at the thought of the humiliation, shot her husband.

What a story of passion, deceit, jealousy, cunning and murder! The woman's story should not command much sympathy; the victim was only fit to die. A man who takes a woman as his wife as a bargain and sale is devoid of manly qualities, especially self-respect; the woman who allows herself to be traded off is low-minded, vulgar, coarse.

Mrs. Patterson is beautiful. If she were freckle-faced, red-headed, flat-nosed and squint-eyed no one would be concerned over her fate and every one would say she should pay the penalty of the life of shame which culminated in a tragedy.

According to Mrs. Patterson, she began life without moral restraints and continued to live in disregard of the moral law. She must have lost all nice sensibilities and cannot claim that a fear of public disgrace drove her to a desperate deed.

HIGH SCHOOL SCANDAL

The scandal at the High School is a source of regret to all well-wishers of the institution. The publicity given the professor who disgraced himself will have its beneficial effect in pointing this moral, that whatever be the standing of a man in a community, that man must suffer social ostracism and complete obliteration, if he fails to be a man of clean character. The duty of a newspaper is to sound a warning whenever that warning is demanded as a safeguard against a letting down of moral obligations on the part of those expected to be leaders of thought and right conduct. One concealment might lead to another and then another until finally a distressful condition might exist and a greater scandal develop; then with the disclosures would come severe censure for those who having a public duty to perform, through false modesty or a desire to shield some one, failed to perform that duty.

The people are entitled to be informed on these subjects and to be the judge of whether their public institutions are being properly conducted and their children set the right example. It is not for a newspaper, or any official in school or out of school, to say whether crime shall be screened and offenses against decency compounded.

This paper has never knowingly suppressed court records, arrests or other criminal actions and that is why but few persons have had the temerity to request the Standard to suppress items of public interest involving the welfare of the community.

Concealing crime is often a crime in itself and is looked on by the law as an offense against the public.

ROOSEVELT VS. TAFT.

When the Progressive Republicans met in Chicago, one of the most important paragraphs in their resolutions dealt with the need of legislation looking to the regulation of business combinations in the United States. That paragraph reads:

"The present condition of uncertainty in business is intolerable and destructive of industrial prosperity. It is worse than idle to leave the question of whether great business enterprises are legal or not merely to judicial determination. Industrial corporations should by affirmative legislative enactment be given definite rules of conduct by which business shall be made safe and stable, while at the same time the interests of the public should be fully safeguarded. We seek constructive legislation, not destructive litigation."

This attitude of the Progressive Republicans toward the preservation of business stability is not in accord with the announced attitude of President Taft. In his speech at Pittsburg, October 31, the President said:

"The Sherman law has been on the statute books for 20 years and has been construed, and construed and construed and finally by the Supreme Court. The two decisions last spring, in my judgment, give its definite meaning that any combination in restraint of trade for the purpose of controlling prices and stifling competition is a violation of the statute.

"Men know whether they intend to stifle competition and control prices and all that is necessary in a court of law is to prove the combination and intent. That is all that is needed for the enforcement of any criminal statute."

In the current number of the Outlook, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt discusses the same problem. His declarations are regarded as of unusual significance in Washington because of their harmony, not only with the resolutions adopted by the Progressives

at their Chicago conference, but also because the Colonel makes special reference to the corporation legislation which was put on the statute books of Wisconsin when Senator La Follette served that state as governor. The Chicago resolutions said: "We need constructive legislation, not destructive litigation."

Colonel Roosevelt says: "Our aim should be a policy of construction and not one of destruction."

In discussing the trust question along the lines of proper regulation, Colonel Roosevelt said: "The success of Wisconsin in dealing with the corporations within her borders, so as to do them justice and to exact justice in return from them toward the public, has been signal; and this nation should adopt a progressive policy in substance akin to the Progressive policy not merely formulated in theory but reduced to actual practice with such striking success."

In view of the wide-spread attention being given Colonel Roosevelt's expressions on the trust question, it is interesting to recall that this is not the first time that he has praised the Wisconsin laws which were enacted in that state only after the most strenuous fights in Senator La Follette's career. In the Outlook of May 27, Colonel Roosevelt wrote:

"I doubt whether American students of social economics fully realize the extraordinary work that has been accomplished, during the last decade, and is now being accomplished in the state of Wisconsin under the lead of Senator La Follette and of the group of entirely practical and at the same time zealously enthusiastic workers who have come into active control of the state mainly or largely because of the lead he has given them. * * * We can now, at least in many cases, look for leadership to Wisconsin when we desire to try to solve the great social and industrial problems of the present and the future, instead of being forced always to look abroad. * * * After my visit I felt like congratulating Wisconsin upon what it had done and was doing, and I felt much more like congratulating the country as a whole because it has in the state of Wisconsin a pioneer blazing the way along which we Americans must make our civic and industrial advance during the next few decades."

DANCE EVIL OF TODAY.

Dancing is pronounced by physical culturists as one of the best forms of exercise for the human body. From the time when "the memory of man runneth not to the contrary" it has been regarded as a diversion and a relaxation. Archeologists tell us that dancing was popular long before the Christian era. It was practiced at the crowning of a pagan king and the burial of the dead. And so dancing as an institution has been handed down from one aeon to another. The primitive dance with its many variations, representing peace and gladness, as well as war and sorrow, has come to us through the American Indian. The war dance, the scalp dance, the sun dance and other weird dances with their horrible sinuous contortions accompanied by the dull, rhythmic sound of improvised drums, are still familiar sights and sounds to the people of the present generation.

But modern day "civilization" has discovered or invented a dance which so far as we are able to learn must have had its inception in some dive or "honky-tonk" far removed from the inquisitive eye of Anthony Comstock. It started at the public dance halls of the larger cities, and was known as the "Grizzly Bear," a cross between a strangle-hold and a hoochie-coochie. As the inventive mind became more imaginative, more frill and capers have been added, until the "Wiggly Worm," the "Bunny Hug," the "Barbary Twist," the "Mad House Drag," the "Slippery Slide," the "Pieddilly Crawl," and numerous others have been evolved.

Nothing displays the grace and carriage of men and women to better effect than the Two-step, the Waltz, the Virginia Reel and the Square dance. But the "Grizzly Bear" and its variations are positively indecent. Such dances, if they can be called dances, pander to the basest passions of men and women, and should be prohibited. The new-fangled dance, with all of the variations the dancers may care to add, may be seen any night at the public affairs held in some of the local dance halls. Girls of tender years may be seen gyrating on the floor with men who are old enough to know better; assuming postures which they would themselves decree disgraceful, but for the excuse afforded by the music from the orchestra. Women, young and old, unaccompanied by male escort or chaperone may be seen at these resorts whenever a dance is programmed. All the worst evils of the public dance halls may be found there. Pay your money and enter. This applies to yeggmen and rone as well as business men and school boys. Girls, the more the merrier, are admitted without charge. Introductions are unnecessary if you can read the big signs which hang on the walls. It tells you that if you see a girl with whom you would like to do "The Mad House Crawl," simply go to her and say so and take your chances of her acceptance.

If this kind of dance is not stopped, where will it end?

BREWERS CAN SELL IN BOTTLES

Salt Lake, Nov. 21.—In response to a communication addressed to County Attorney I. E. Wiley several weeks ago by the Kentucky Liquor company asking that steps be taken to prevent certain brewers and wholesalers from selling beer at retail to families and rooming houses in less than five-gallon lots, as provided in the new liquor law, the county attorney Monday morning rendered an opinion in which he holds that under the new law the brewers cannot legally be prevented from selling beer in less than five-gallon quantities, provided that it is not sold for consumption on the brewer's premises.

The Kentucky Liquor company protested against the sale of beer by the case, alleging that a case of beer contained only four and four-fifths gallons, and that the brewers, therefore, could not sell by the single case. The county attorney holds that they can. In relation to importers, the law, however, is different, according to the attorney, who says that these cannot sell in less than five-gallon lots.

MAYOR TO QUIT ON JANUARY 1

Salt Lake, Nov. 21.—Insinuation has been repeatedly made that Mayor John S. Bransford takes a deep personal interest in the attempt to break the combination form of government, it being hinted that Mr. Bransford takes this interest in the hope that he may continue as mayor of Salt Lake. Those who have caused these insinuations to be published

have never had the courage openly to make their declaration, well knowing that Mayor Bransford has no personal interest in seeing the law declared invalid.

The mayor has stated privately and publicly that under no circumstances will he continue to be mayor of Salt Lake after January 1. If the law were broken, Mayor Bransford would not consent to serve as mayor. Yesterday Mayor Bransford was asked for a statement making plain his position in this connection.

"I will not serve as mayor of Salt Lake after the first of January," said Mayor Bransford. "Whether the law is declared unconstitutional or is upheld, I am through with the office of

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mayor. The insinuation that I am interested in seeing the law broken in order that I may continue in office is so absurd as to be wholly unworthy of consideration. You may say for me that, even if the law is declared unconstitutional, I will not serve one day as mayor of Salt Lake after my term expires.

"I told Mr. Mulvey when he first talked about bringing a test case on the law that, even if his action were successful in breaking the law, I would not act as mayor after January 1. "The suggestion has been made by some people who are always trying to stir up something that I am financially supporting Mr. Mulvey in his fight on the law. That is just as low-down a falsehood as it is to say that I am hungry for office. I have not put up one single cent to help this action, and what is more, I won't."

"After the first of the year I am through with the mayor's office. That is final."

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JOHN HENRY SMITH HAD SMALL ESTATE

Sarah Farr Smith, widow of the late President John Henry Smith, second counselor in the first presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, filed a petition in the probate division of the Third district court Monday morning for letters of administration in the estate of her late husband. President Smith left no will, according to the petition, and the estate is valued at \$20,000.

The petition recites that the decedent left real estate property to the value of \$6,700, and \$579.99 cash in the Utah National bank. In stocks, President Smith left the following:

Sugar City Townsite company, \$1,770; Salt Lake Dramatic association, \$3,700; Sugar City Improvement company, \$180; Intermountain Cement and Brick company, \$550; Salt Lake Knitting works, \$200; Utah-Mexico Rubber company, \$1,900; Standard Publishing company, \$25; Duquesne Oil and Gas company, \$100; Prove Equizer, \$25.

The widow, who was the first wife of President Smith, and the following children are named as heirs to the estate:

George Albert Smith, Don Carlos Smith, Ezra Chase Smith, Winslow Farr Smith, Nathaniel Libby Smith, Nancy Claiborne Smith, Priscilla Smith Langton, Elsie Louise Smith, Sarah Ann Pond, Nicholas G. Smith, Jose H. Smith, Bessie Smith, Glen G. Smith, Arzella Smith and Josephine Smith.

The petition recites that after due search and inquiry no will of the late President Smith was found.



School Children!

Can You Draw Santa? Grand Prize for You—Read Carefully

We believe that there is a great deal of hidden talent among the children of our city which needs only some incentive to see the light of day and we have decided to inaugurate and conduct at our store for several weeks prior to the Holiday season a novel and interesting drawing contest.

We want as many pencil and pen drawings of Santa Claus as we can obtain. We want him pictured in every possible manner that your fancy can imagine. He can be funny or serious. You can draw him in any pose you think proper and appropriate.

All we ask is that you shall make your drawing on a sheet of plain white paper nine inches wide and twelve inches deep and if you will come to this store we will be glad to give you several sheets of paper designed expressly for drawing. We will also give a sheet of different Santa Claus designs which you can use as a guide, although we do not necessarily mean that you shall copy them.

Come to the store, bring this ad with you and ask for the Santa Claus drawing paper, then do your best work and bring the drawing to the store (without rolling it up, with your name and address and school written where designated on the drawing paper which we will give you.

All finished drawings must be in our hands not later than December 15, 1911.

We are going to give six grand prizes for six best, most unique and funniest drawings of Santa Claus executed by one of our school children.

FIRST PRIZE FOR BOYS
\$2.50 REPEATING AIR GUN
SECOND PRIZE FOR BOYS
\$2.00 COASTER
THIRD PRIZE FOR BOYS
\$2.00 MAGIC LANTERN

FIRST PRIZE FOR GIRLS
\$2.50 DOLL
SECOND PRIZE FOR GIRLS
\$2.00 SET DISHES
THIRD PRIZE FOR GIRLS
\$2.00 WORK BOX

The winners will be determined by a voting contest to be held at our store at which any visitor or customer is entitled to one vote whether they purchase or not.

All the drawings will be exhibited and blank ballots will be furnished. Every child presenting a drawing will receive half a dozen Santa Claus Souvenir Postal Cards to mail to their friends which will have an inscription showing that the sender of the card has entered a drawing in the contest. This will bring your friends into the store to see your drawing and to cast a vote in your favor.

We are going to make a grand exhibition of all drawings that are received and there will be a free field and no favor. Only one drawing received from each contestant. Try your hand at drawing Santa Claus and don't forget that the drawing paper and suggestions are obtainable at the store.

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BIG BEAR KILLED.

Provo, Nov. 21.—Jack Johnson, A. R. Oliver and "Doc" Brundige, all employees of the Telluride Power company at Olmstead, while hunting in the mountains contiguous to Provo canyon last week, killed a 300 pound cinnamon bear. The hide was brought

to the county clerk's office here yesterday and application made for the bounty given by the state for the destruction of such animals.

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